



Manchester Urban Ponds Restoration Program

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"Scoop the Poop" to Protect Manchester's Waterways

We certainly all love our dogs! However, pet waste is a contributing source of stormwater pollution in streams, rivers, ponds, and lakes. Rain and melting snow flowing across our yards, dog parks, trails, driveways, and roads, picks up pet waste along the way and deposits it in our local waterbodies. Pet waste carries harmful bacteria that can make our waterbodies unsafe for swimming and can make us sick if accidentally ingested.



Please help keep our waterbodies clean. In accordance with Manchester's Code of Ordinances (§90.04), always carry a plastic bag or other collection means with you when you walk your dog and be sure to pick up pet waste and properly dispose of it in a trash can. Citations and penalties between \$100 (first offense) and \$200 (second offense) can be issued for failing to meet these requirements.

Take the Pledge to Scoop the Poop!

Visit <https://stateofourestuaries.org/everydrop/petpledge/> or just scan the QR code below to let us know you are making a difference by pledging to pick up after your pet.

Five Small Changes that Make a Big Difference:

- Always carry a plastic bag when you walk your dog.
- Always pick up pet waste.
- Always dispose of pet waste in a trash can.
- Never place bagged or unbagged pet waste in a storm drain.
- Take the Pledge and tell your city you're making a difference!



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